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DISTRIBUTING COUPONS THROUGH )  
A SYSTEM OF COMPUTER NETWORKS )

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Before Examination of this Application, please amend the Application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, between lines 1 and 2, insert:

-- This Application is a Continuation of copending Application Serial No. 09/245,419 of  
KEN R. POWELL filed February 5, 1999<sup>now U.S. PAT. NO. 6,067,526</sup> for SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DISTRIBUTING  
COUPONS THROUGH A SYSTEM OF COMPUTER NETWORKS, the contents of which is  
hereby incorporated by reference, which is a Continuation of Application Serial No. 09/100,868  
of KEN R. POWELL filed June 22, 1998 for SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING  
DISTRIBUTION OF COUPONS, now U.S. Patent No. 6,012,038 the contents of which is hereby  
incorporated by reference, which is a Continuation of Application Serial No. 08/603,482 of KEN  
R. POWELL filed February 20, 1996 for SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DISTRIBUTING